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REPLY TO THE OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This Amendment and the accompanying petition requesting to extend the period for response by 1 month are filed in response to the Office Action mailed January 14, 2004. Entry of the amendments and reconsideration of the claims are respectfully requested.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, May 14, 2004, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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